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COMBINED DECLARATION OF INVENTORSHIP AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

As the below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below, next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and joint inventor of the claimed subject matter of the invention disclosed in U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/684,273 entitled "AUTOMATICALLY-ACTIVATED HAND-SUPPORTABLE OMNI-DIRECTIONAL LASER SCANNING BAR CODE SYMBOL READER HAVING A USER-SELECTABLE LINEAR SCANNING MENU-READING MODE SUPPORTED BY A STROBOSCOPICALLY-PULSED OMNI-DIRECTIONAL LASER SCANNING PATTERN FOR IMPROVED BAR CODE SYMBOL NAVIGATION AND ALIGNMENT DURING MENU-READING OPERATIONS", filed October 11, 2003 and for which a U.S. Letters Patent is sought.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified Application, including the Claims to Invention thereof.

Under 35 USC Section 120, I hereby claim priority to the concurrent filing dates of the following co-pending United States Patent Applications: 10/042,755 filed November 13, 2002; 10/014,342 filed November 13, 2001; 09/204,176 filed December 3, 1998, now U.S. Patent No. 6,283,875; and 09/452,976 filed December 2, 1999, now U.S. Patent No. 6,595,420; each of said Applications being owned by Metrologic Instruments, Inc.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the United States Patent and Trademark Office all information known to me to be material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. 1.56, including material information which became available between the filing dates of the present application on October 11, 2003, and December 2, 1999, the filing date of prior Application No. 09/452,976, now U.S. Patent No. 6,595,420, identified above.

I hereby appoint Thomas J. Perkowski, Esq., Reg. No. 33,134, of Soundview Plaza, 1266 East Main Street, Stamford, Connecticut 06902, to represent Applicant before the United States Patent and Trademark Office and to transact all business in connection with the above-referenced application, and any continuation, division and continuation-in-part applications thereof.

All statements made herein of my own knowledge are true, all statements made herein on information and belief are believed to be true, and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under 18 U.S.C. 1001, and may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

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